

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

I. Status of the claims

Claim 63 is canceled without prejudice to future revival. With the entry of this amendment, claims 35-62 are pending.

II. Novelty rejection

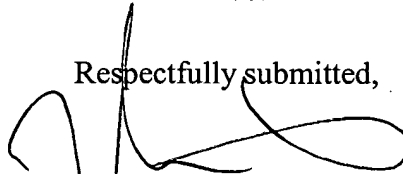
The only rejection in the office action is a novelty rejection of claim 63. Claim 63 is canceled with entry of this amendment, thereby rendering the rejection moot. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection.

CONCLUSION

The office action indicates that claims 35-62 are allowable. In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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